

Hazel M. Sager, 87

Hazel M. Sager, 87, Groton, died Saturday, Dec. 16, 2000 at her residence.

Her funeral will be 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, 2000 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ferney, with the Rev. Lloyd Redhage officiating. Burial will be in the Union Cemetery, Groton, with Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel in charge of arrangements.

Visitation will be 1-8 p.m., Wednesday, at the Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, with a prayer service at 6 p.m. Visitation will resume one hour prior to the service..



Hazel Marie Dunker was born November 17, 1913, to Edward and Eva (Carter) Dunker on the family farm east of Stratford. She attended several country schools in the Stratford area and graduated from Groton High School in 1932.

She married Joe W. Sager, September 25, 1935, on his family farm, southwest of Groton. They farmed until retiring in October 1982, when they moved into Groton. Joe died in July 1983. In 1997, she moved into Rosewood Court, an assisted living facility, in Groton.

She was a lifelong member of the Lutheran Church, as well as participating in various church organizations. She had been a church organist for many years, served as the leader for the Country Cadets 4-H Club, and was an extension club member. She was a very creative seamstress with her favorite projects being teddy bears and quilts. She also enjoyed crocheting and playing bridge.

She is survived by three daughters, Myrna (Virgil) Braun, Aberdeen; Dorene (Gordon) Nelson, Groton, and JoAnn Russ, Pueblo, Colo.; three sisters, Inez (Robert) Knickrehm, Groton, Evelyn Clausen, Aberdeen, and Mildred (Hurst) Williams, Brentford; two brothers, Wallace (Betty) Dunker, Aberdeen, and Dale (Marj) Dunker, Groton; three grandsons, one granddaughter, one step-granddaughter, two great grandsons, three step-great grandsons, and one step-great granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, one son, one brother, and one great granddaughter.

Casketbearers will be Myron Zoellner, Greg Milbrandt, Lewis Borge, Steve Dunker, Max Williams and Ralph Borge.